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10. (Internal Use Only - LLM) Mr. Jim Wilkinson, Office of Management and Budget, called and asked when they could expect our views on Department of State's proposed report on S. Res. 192, a bill "To create a Select Committee...to oversee activities of the Central Intelligence Agency" inasmuch as the Department of Defense would like to review our comments in connection with drawing up theirs. I told him that I thought we would have our report to the Office of Management and Budget on Wednesday and he said that would be fine.

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Wednesday - 19 January 1972

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1. (Confidential - GLC) Made arrangements for [] and myself to meet with Bill Woodruff, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, informally Monday morning at 10 a.m. to obtain from Woodruff views which he says he has with regard to budget aspects of the changes in the intelligence community structure.

Woodruff also asked if we could have someone come up to change a safe combination on one of their safes and see if we could open a safe which they believe is jammed. A member of the Security office and I will take care of this tomorrow morning.

2. (Confidential - GLC) George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, called regarding an article in today's Washington Daily News having to do with a desire on the part of the French to obtain from the British nuclear data which the British have received from the U.S. According to the article this can be accomplished only if certain changes are made in the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act on this subject. Murphy said the Committee was writing a letter to the Atomic Energy Commission on this today, but asked if we had heard anything about this. I told him I would look into it and be back in touch with him tomorrow.

3. (Confidential - GLC) C. B. Morrison, on the staff of Senator Allen J. Ellender, called late this afternoon and asked "How many civilians are there in the Soviet Defense Ministry?" He added that he was pulling together comparative figures between the Soviet Union and the U.S. I placed this request with [] of DDI. He said Mr. Bruce Clarke feels he can get this information for us tomorrow morning.

4. (Confidential - GLC) Talked with Mr. Frank Nelson, ISA, DOD, about the Agency's position with respect to the application of the Symington Cambodian amendment and the exclusion from that amendment of Agency costs not involved with assistance related programs in Cambodia. Mr. Nelson seemed to appreciate this, but said he would like to establish a contact with our operating people dealing with Cambodia to determine what, if any, costs should be included in the reports on expenditures under the ceiling of the Symington Cambodian amendment. I advised [] of this conversation and suggested that he have someone from FE get in touch with []

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4. (Secret - GLC) Met with William Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, and brought him up-to-date on briefing items from 22 December 1971 through 13 January 1972.

Woodruff informed me that Pete Bonner (retired Marine Corps Colonel) is now working on the Committee staff and in a short time will replace Mr. Ed Hartung as Senator Milton Young's Minority Counsel on the staff. Bonner has worked closely with Woodruff and others over the years and recently served a short stint as a special assistant to Mr. Rady Johnson, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs.

Woodruff commented at lunch that he thought the arrangements made for the handling of the Agency's budget in response to Senator Stennis' desires would turn out to be a mistake, at least as far as funds for Laos were concerned. He added that instead of getting Stennis off the hook for Agency expenditures there he would now be saddled with the authorization for the war in Laos under the Defense bill with a subsequent transfer of funds to the Agency.

I briefed Woodruff on our meeting earlier with Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, on the subject of liquidation funds for the Radios. Woodruff said Ralph Preston had called him about this earlier. Mr. Mahon's position does not appear to have changed Woodruff's views on the subject, however.

5. (Confidential - GLC) [REDACTED] FE
Division, called to say he had talked with State Department representatives who indicated that State is taking essentially the same position on the Symington Cambodia amendment in the Foreign Aid bill as we have taken here in the Agency (i. e., that Senator Symington intended that the language of his Laotian and Cambodian amendments be interpreted consistently and that, therefore, he did not intend to include in the Cambodian ceiling the cost of running the Embassy or the [REDACTED] I subsequently 25X1A passed this information on to Stuart French, of ISA, who recommended that I also mention this to Mr. Frank Nelson, of ISA.

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Monday - 10 January 1972

1. (Internal Use Only - JMM) Called Dan Carrison, in the office of Senator Strom Thurmond (R., S. C.), to say that the case of an Agency staffer in whom the Senator was personally interested had been reviewed and the individual's performance had been found satisfactory, removing him from the bottom five percent category.

2. (Confidential - JMM) Met with Russ Blandford and Frank Slatinshek, House Armed Services Committee staff, whom I provided with copies of material on the "reorganization" of the intelligence community. They expressed considerable irritation over the fact that this material was over two months old, but I explained that despite diligent efforts we had just obtained permission to share it with them.

Mr. Slatinshek said he was impatiently awaiting material on revisions of the espionage laws which he had discussed with us last week, and which he needed in order to prepare for early hearings which Chairman Nedzi was planning in connection with the handling of classified information. When I pointed out that some of this material was unfinished staff work in White House custody which we lacked authority to release, Messrs. Blandford and Slatinshek expressed considerable irritation and insisted that if they couldn't get it officially they must have it unofficially "or else." I said I would see what we could do. They said they were trying to be helpful to the Executive agencies in coping with the security problems typified by the Ellsberg and more recently Jack Anderson publications and found the run around they were getting from the Defense Department inexcusable and expected something better from the Agency.

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